

AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA  
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF  
SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS  
ON THE PREVENTION OF DANGEROUS MILITARY ACTIVITIES

The Government of Canada and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, hereinafter referred to as the Parties,

Confirming their desire to improve relations and deepen mutual understanding,

Committed to avoiding dangerous military activities and resolving expeditiously and peacefully any incident arising therefrom,

Desiring to ensure the safety of personnel and equipment of their armed forces when operating in proximity to one another during peacetime, and

Guided by the generally recognized principles and rules of international law,

Have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I

For the purposes of this Agreement:

a) "Dangerous military activities" means actions of personnel of the armed forces of the Parties in proximity to one another, in peacetime, either unintentional or due to force majeure, that may result in human or materiel damage or loss or that create tensions in the relations between the Parties;

b) "Armed forces" means, for Canada, the Canadian Forces; for the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the Armed Forces and the Border Troops of the USSR;

c) "Personnel" means any individual who is serving in or is employed by the armed forces of the Parties;

d) "Equipment" means any ship, aircraft or ground hardware of the armed forces of the Parties;

e) "Ship" means any warship or auxiliary ship of the armed forces of the Parties;

f) "Aircraft" means any military aircraft of the armed forces of the Parties, excluding spacecraft;

g) "Ground hardware" means any materiel of the armed forces of the Parties designed for use on land;